

SENATE RESOLUTION 82

By Harris

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Ayana Thomason, 2017
Salutatorian of The Soulsville Charter School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ayana Thomason is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2017 graduating class at The Soulsville Charter School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Thomason achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ayana Thomason earned an exemplary 5.04 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Art Club, Unity and Diversity Club, Travel Club, University of Memphis STEM Program, and Model UN; and

WHEREAS, successful beyond the classroom, Ms. Thomason excelled in the athletic arena, playing on the basketball team, rugby team, and the volleyball team, which as co-captain, she guided the team to victory in the district city championships; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and honors, Ayana Thomason received the National Latin Exam Award three times and the Memphis Inner City Rugby Grit Award, and she placed on both the Principal's List and Dean's List, and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Thomason's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Angela Camper and Al Muhammad, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ayana Thomason's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2017 Salutatorian of The Soulsville Charter School, Ayana Thomason, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.